

WEEKLY FAIR PLAY.

S. HENRY SMITH, Proprietor.



THURSDAY, - - DEC. 19, 1872.

The following persons are authorized to receive subscriptions and advertising for the FAIR PLAY, and to receive and receipt for money:

Mrs. Amelia H. Wittmeyer, Ste. Genevieve.

Robt. Slaughter, Esq., Ste. Marys.

John Thape, Jr.

Billy Hoffmann—carrier, for subscriptions.

LOCAL CHAT.

Christmas—Coming.

Sleet—Sunday night.

Snow—Wednesday night.

Fine Skating—On the rough.

We print cards at this office.

Santa Claus—Look out for him.

Scarce—Local items and water.

Improvement—Slow in our town.

Weather—Rather cool just now.

Wanted—Items for the "Free Column."

Wood—Better get a good supply before bad weather sets in.

Circulars and Programmes printed at the FAIR PLAY office.

Ste. Genevieve Saw Mill for sale.

Inquire of C. BAUM.

"Mississippi Valley Globe"—Has been revived, Sheible & Co., publishers.

Epizootic—Fears are entertained that it will soon make its appearance here.

Job Work of all kinds executed in the latest styles and at the lowest possible terms.

Our Bloomsdale correspondent—Has our thanks for his favors. We solicit a continuance of them.

School Books, Periodicals, Daily and Weekly newspapers &c., for sale at Dr. F. Guibards, Drug Store.

River—it leaks some where or else it has got the epizootic. The water is all running out of it.

For Good Home Made Winter Boots and Shoes call on C. BAUM.

An Error—is said to have occurred in our Market report recently. It was unintentional on our part.

The highest market price in Cash paid for Green and Dry Hides by NICHOLAS WEHNER.

The Boys—"Are getting up a little excitement for Christmas week. Ball at Mrs. J. K. S." Pretty good joke.

Our Hack Line—Horses were reported to have the epizootic on Saturday. We believe however, it was a mistake.

Our "Carrier"—Will present the city patrons of the FAIR PLAY, with his first Annual Address, on New Years day. He hopes his friends will remember him.

The last copy of the Marble city news was a very disgraceful sheet—[Commerce Dispatch].

We don't know whether ours was or not. We could not read it.

"Cash-Book"—Says it intended to have started a column under the head of "Spirit of the Cape City Press," but concludes that the "spirit" manifested is so small, that it has given up the idea in despair. Better wait till they get a little "fighting spirit" mixed with it.

A Mr. Dole, living on the New Tennessee road in this county some ten miles from here, on the Townsend place has been severely afflicted with the small-pox plague. We learn, that his eldest son, who has been residing in St. Louis for some time back, returned home, and shortly after took sick with the small-pox and died. Others of the family, were soon taken down with it and also died, six out of the family have had the disease, and every one died. The old gentleman and his wife, and one child are all that remain, and as yet have not been affected.

Bloomsdale Correspondence.

The people of Bloomsdale are about to erect a new Catholic Church.

There is one good wife in the country, and every married man thinks he has her.

The house of Edward Lalumier was entered on the 2nd inst., in the absence of the family and robbed of Edward's wedding suit. No attempt was made to bring the offender to justice, or, we believe, he might have been arrested within a few miles.

DIED.—On the 2nd of December, 1872, of continued fever, Jules La Rose, after an illness of one month, in the 26th year of his age.

A Constitutional Convention.

The Missouri Democrat says: "One of the first demands by the Democratic press on the new legislature will be for a constitutional convention—in fact, the cry has already been started."

We have heard but little in this quarter of any such demand, although we are aware that many entertain such a bitter prejudice against what is called the "Drake constitution" that they would be willing to encounter any difficulties or incur any expense to effect its abrogation.

There are, however, substantial reasons that should forbid any hasty action in this matter. In the first place, the people of Missouri are ill prepared to meet the expense necessarily involved in the call of such a convention. Several hundred thousand dollars are now outstanding in the form of "certificates of indebtedness," for which an early appropriation will be necessary, besides the amount required to meet the expenses of the general assembly and the current expenses of the state government. Then about four millions of state indebtedness will mature during the ensuing two years, for the payment of which early provision must be made. If, in addition to this, it should be determined to call a state convention, that will, under the constitution, require three separate elections: One to pass upon the call for such convention; one to elect delegates, and a third to ratify the action of the convention after its deliberations is as follows:

See, 119. The collectors shall diligently endeavor and use all lawful means to collect the taxes which they are required to collect, in their respective counties, and to that end they shall have power to seize and sell the goods and chattels of the person liable for taxes, in the same manner as goods and chattels are or may be required to be seized and sold under execution issued on judgments at law, and no property shall be exempt from seizure or sale for taxes: Provided, that no such seizure or sale for taxes shall be made until after the first day of December of each year; and the collector shall not receive a credit for delinquent taxes until he shall have made affidavit that he has been unable to find any personal property out of which to make the taxes in each case so returned delinquent, except the person or parties owing taxes are about removing from the country; but no seizure and sale of goods shall be made until the collector has demanded payment of the tax either by personal application to the party liable to pay the same, or leaving a written notice at his place of abode for that purpose, nor for ten days after such demand, with some member of the family over fourteen years of age.

See, 120. Whenever taxes shall be collected by seizure or sale of goods and chattels, in addition to the amount of tax and costs of seizure to the collector, as provided by this act, the collector shall levy the necessary costs of the proceeding and the interest on the amount of the tax and costs of such seizure, for his trouble. If the collector have reason to believe that any person charged with taxes is about to remove from the county without paying his taxes, he may, at any time, levy such taxes, with costs and charges, by distress and sale.

These are the provisions of the general revenue law. All of them are applicable to St. Louis county, as well as to the other counties, except the one requiring the collector to app point times and places in the respective townships for the payment of taxes.—*Mo. Republican.*

Preparations seem to be making in Congress, as well as elsewhere, for a "new constitution" and "good feeling." The tendency in this direction showed itself at the opening of the House by the refusal to excuse Mr. Banks from serving as chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations—a position for which he urged his fitness, owing to his want of political sympathy with the Administration. He is to remain, however, and the country will, therefore, have the benefit, until March 4, of his profound knowledge of foreign countries, his intimate acquaintance with international law, his lofty superiority to demagogical wiles and ways. After that he will pass into a private station. In the Senate, the majority is said to be by no means so magnanimous, and there is, according to the organ of the Administration, to be punishment in that body for "political apostasy." Mr. Trumbull, by far the ablest lawyer in the Senate, is to be passed from the chairmanship of the Judiciary Committee, and Mr. Edmunds, who is also able, is to take his place. Speaker Blaine has demanded an investigation into the "Credit Mobilier" scandal, which is right. But no legislation of any moment is talked of, and in this Congress there will probably be none. A desperate effort will, however, doubtless be made to turn public attention away from the sins and abuses of Congress itself, such as the corruption of the civil service, and the banking privilege, and its private-bid legislation, which are the crying evils of the day, and from which the people should be no means suffer their eyes to be diverted by bungcombe.—*Nation.*

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Paying State Taxes.

As this is the 22d year state and county taxes are, and may persons are unacquainted with the penalties of the law, it will not be out of place to give the substance of some of its provisions. Section 113 directs that, when the tax books from the county clerks, they shall immediately give notice, not less than 20 days, of the time and place of payment of taxes; the time fixed for payment shall not be less than three days, for each township. Section 114 requires the tax payers of each township to "meet the collector at the time and places appointed, and pay such taxes as may be due against them." The taxes are due as soon as the collector's notice is given, and the law, as will be seen by this section, requires them to be paid at the time fixed in such notice. Section 116 provides that if taxes are not paid before the first day of January, the collector shall charge interest on them at the rate of one per cent; on the first day of February this is increased to two per cent; on the first of April it is increased to four and a half per cent.; and on the first of May, it is increased to *two per cent. a month* on all tax bills not paid before the day. This interest is to be added to the tax bill due to be collected with the taxes. No interest can be charged against bills paid before the first day of January. The only persons exempt from the operation of these interests are persons who are absent from home in the military service of the state, or of the United States. The provision relating to seizures is as follows:

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Our Subscribers' FREE COLUMN.

Under this heading our subscribers will have the use of this column to intell on the public of any little want they may desire, free of charge. Any subscriber in the country—especially farmers—to furnish with information for this column. If you have anything to sell, such as hay, corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, cattle, hogs, sheep, horses, or anything in the personal property, like, or wish to pay your debts in that way, just inform the publisher of this paper, and through this column he will inform the public, and all he who is to subscribe for the "FAIR PLAY," and pay for it.

The underlined has for sale one milly cow and calf, good and healthy, also second hand two-wheeled wagon, and one hand-horse-harrow wagon.

—S. A. GUNNISON

or 70 bushels of corn for sale. Apply to C. J. Gove, River Aux Vases, Mo. 10 or 12 hogheads ale. Apply to Joseph Horner, River Aux Vases.

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Order of Publication.

Simon A. Guignon, in charge of the estate of David S. Fartheringham, deceased, presents an order of publication, praying for an order for the sale of so much of the real estate of said deceased as will pay and satisfy the remaining debts due by said estate, and yet unpaid, in want of sufficient assets, as compensated by the accounts, lists and inventories required by law in such case, on examination whereof it is ordered that all persons interested in the estate of said deceased be notified that application has been made, and that unless the contrary be shown, on or before the first day of the next term of this court, to be held on the third Monday of January next, an order will be made for the sale of the whole, or so much of the real estate of said deceased as will be sufficient for the payment of said debts, and it is further ordered that this notice be published in some newspaper in this State, for four weeks, before the next term of this court.

STATE OF MISSOURI, Y.

I, John L. Bogy, clerk, of the county court in and for said county, hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the original order of publication therein referred to, as same appears of record in my office.

Witness my hand as clerk, and the seal of said court, this 20th day of November, A.D. 1872. JOHN L. BOGY, Clerk.

By JULY B. GUINNISON, Deputy Clerk.

Administrator's Sale of Real Estate.

Pursuant to an order of the county court of Ste. Genevieve county, having probate jurisdiction, passed at the July term, 1872, of said court, I will, on the Twenty-first day (21) of January, 1873, at the front door of the Court House of the county of Ste. Genevieve, and during the session of the County court of said county, and between the hours of 10 o'clock in the forenoon and five (5) o'clock in the afternoon of that day, offer for sale at public bidding or outcry the following real estate, belonging to the estate of David S. Fartheringham, deceased: A house and lot in the town of Ste. Mary, Ste. Genevieve county, being lot number ten (10) in block number sixteen, (16) on the following terms, to wit: Ten per cent, (10) of the purchase money cash in hand, the balance in twelve (12) months from date of sale, secured by note with good approved security, with interest of ten (10) per cent after maturity.

S. A. GUINNISON, in charge

of the estate of David S.

Fartheringham, deceased.

Dry Goods at Cost!

JOSEPH HORST.